



DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND FOR Washington County

Located at 36 West Antietam St, Hagerstown, Maryland 21740



Case No. D-112-CR-23-003827

STATE OF MARYLAND

VS.

DISCAVAGE, JOHN R.

22 YANKEE DRIVE

KEEDYSVILLE, MD 21756-0000

CC#:

SID:

FBI#:

LID:

DL#:

Race: W Sex: M

Ht: 5' 11"

Wt: 230

Hair: BLK Eyes: BRO

DOB: 01/22/1974

Home phone: 240-498-4485

Cellphone:

Charge | Statute | Arrest

VIOLATE PROT ORDER | FL 4 509 |

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CRIMINAL SUMMONS ON CHARGING DOCUMENT

STATE OF MARYLAND, Washington County, to wit:

To the defendant:

YOU ARE SUMMONED AND COMMANDED to appear for a Trial/Hearing on a date to be set by the Clerk to answer the charge(s) lodged against you in the charging document attached hereto.

NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: If you fail to appear at the place, time and date set forth above, a warrant for your arrest may be issued. If you change your name, address, or telephone number, you must notify the court at the above location prior to the hearing/trial date. To request a foreign language interpreter or a reasonable accommodation under the Americans with Disabilities Act, please contact the court immediately. **TTY users call Maryland RELAY: 711.** Possession and use of cell phones and other electronic devices may be limited or prohibited in designated areas of the court facility.

Date: 08/29/2023

Judge/Commissioner/Clerk: 

ID: B085

Given to: HAGERSTOWN CITY POLICE

NOTICE TO OFFICER: If not served by 09/29/2023, return to the Court.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I acknowledge receipt of a copy of this Summons and Charging Document and hereby promise to appear in the District Court as directed by the Summons. I understand that acceptance of this Summons is not an admission of guilt but that my failure to appear at the place, time and date herein set forth will result in the issuance of a warrant for my arrest.

Date: _____

Signature of Defendant: _____

RETURN OF SERVICE

☐ I certify that I delivered a copy of this Summons and Charging Document to the defendant personally at

_____ o'clock ____ M. on _____ at _____
Date Place

☐ I certify that the defendant could not be found.

☐ I certify that I personally attempted to deliver a copy of this Summons and Charging Document to the defendant, but they refused to accept and/or sign a receipt for the document(s).

Signature of Issuing Officer

Officer's Title

Printed Name of Officer

Date

Agency, Sub Agency, I.D.



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COMPLAINANT:

PATTERSON, CHRISTINA
20737 EMERALD DRIVE
HAGERSTOWN, MD 21742

22 YANKEE DRIVE
KEEDYSVILLE, MD 21756

CC#:

LID:

Race: W Sex: M

DOB: 01/22/1974

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Ht: 5' 11" Wt: 230

Home phone: 240-498-4485

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STATEMENT OF CHARGES

UPON THE FACTS CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION OF PATTERSON, CHRISTINA IT IS FORMALLY CHARGED THAT DISCAVAGE, JOHN R. at the dates, times and locations specified below:

NUM	CHG/CIT	STATUTE	PENALTY	DESCRIPTION OF THE CHARGE
001	2 0254	FL 4 509	90 D &/or \$1,000.00	<p>VIOLATE PROT ORDER On or About 08/25/2023 at 12:15PM 24 SUMMIT AVE, HAGERSTOWN WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND ... did fail to comply with relief granted under a temporary protective order dated August 14, 2023, issued under Title 4, Subtitle 5 of the Family Law Article by contacting Caitlyn Discavage. Against the Peace, Government, and Dignity of the State.</p>
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Date : 08/29/2023 Time : 8:21 PM

Tracking No. 231001427123

Judicial Officer: _____

B085

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☐ (City/County)

LOCATED AT (COURT ADDRESS)

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**COMPLAINANT**

Christina Patterson

Printed Name

20737 Emerald Drive

Address

Hagerstown, MD 21742

City, State, Zip

240-285-0461

Telephone

Agency, Sub-agency, and I.D. #

(Officer Only)

DEFENDANT

John R. Discavage

Printed Name

22 Yankee Drive

Address

Keedysville, MD 21756

City, State, Zip

240-498-4485

Telephone

CC#

DEFENDANT'S DESCRIPTION: Driver's License # _____ Sex M Race White Ht 5'11" Wt 230
Hair BLACK Eyes BROWN Complexion Med Other _____ DOB 01/22/1974 ID _____

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(Include a statement of facts within your personal knowledge (what you saw or heard, what someone said to you, etc.) showing that there is probable cause to believe that a crime has been committed and that the defendant has committed it. Please see the "NOTICE TO APPLICANT FOR A CHARGING DOCUMENT" for further information.)

I, the undersigned, apply for a statement of charges and a summons or warrant which may lead to the arrest of the above named defendant because on or about 8/25/23..b/t 12- 1:30pm at Washington County Circuit Court directly outside
of court room #3, (Judge Wilson's Courtroom) in the hallway where the benches are _____, the above named defendant followed directly behind me when exiting the courtroom for the ordered lunch break from the protective order hearing that was taking place. My daughter Caitlyn had just given her sworn testimony in the case against her father and was sitting on the bench directly to the right of the exit of court room#3. Once Discavage got outside of the courtroom door and saw Caitlyn he darted straight over to Caitlyn and said "Cait, I love you sweetie. This is sad." while continuing to get closer and closer to her, reaching out his arm to touch

(Continued on attached _____ pages) (DC-CR-001A)

I solemnly affirm under the penalties of perjury that the contents of this document are true to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Date

Officer's Signature

I have read or had read to me and I understand the notice on the back of this form.

8/29/2023

Date

Printed Name

Christina Patterson

Applicant's Signature

CHRISTINA PATTERSON

Printed Name

Subscribed and sworn to before me

8/29/23

Date

at

4:58

Time

☐ AM ☒ PM

Judge/Commissioner

[Signature]8085

ID Number

I understand that a charging document will be issued and that I must appear for trial ☐ on _____
at _____, ☐ when notified by the clerk, at the court location shown at the top of this form.

Time

Christina Patterson

Applicant's Signature

☐ The applicant requests reasonable protection for safety of the alleged victim or the victim's family:

(Describe)

☐ I have advised applicant of the right to request shielding. ☐ The applicant declines shielding.

☐ I declined to issue a charging document because of lack of probable cause.

Date

Commissioner

ID Number



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DEFENDANT'S NAME (LAST, FIRST, M.I.)

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her. Caitlyn said "get away from me." John then looked directly at me and said "This is just sad." I responded by demanding that he "leave us alone, get away from her" reminding him there was to be NO CONTACT with Caitlyn or me. Discavage stood there staring for a brief moment and I said again "LEAVE." By this time Caitlyn had become very visibly upset and was crying as she remained hunkered down on the hallway bench behind me. Ryan Minor (withness in the protective order case) and Jordan Ferguson who were sitting on the bench with Caitlyn at that time, then both stood up beside me to shield Caitlyn. Discavage then finally began to exit the hallway but never broke his eye contact with me in doing so. He began walking backward toward the exit and while maintaining direct eye contact with me he yelled "THIS IS TRAGIC. JUST TRAGIC...AND I WAS TALKING TO JORDAN. I WAS TALKING TO MINOR." Then he turned around and exited the door to the stairs while saying "This is fucked up." and then he fully exited the stairwell.

This incident caused Caitlyn to become extremely upset. She stated that this was more upsetting than anything because just moments before she had just testified under oath to the effect that her dad "never listens when she tells him he needs to get away from" her or that she "wants him to leave her alone when he is scaring" her. She stated that she felt her dad "just came up to me like he was going to touch me after what I just explained in court." Previous to this moment Caitlyn had testified against her father, John Discavage, at her own persistant request to do so (even after being informed that she did not have to testify and that doing so might feel scary and could be very difficult. Caitlyn stated that there was no question that she wanted to testify to and in front of her dad so that maybe he would finally hear her voice and her story about how his behaviors over the last few years toward her and her sister has hurt them and that maybe Daddy would get help and stop drinking. She then explained that since her dad just came up to her like that in the one place she thought she would be safe from her dad in making contact with her would be the courthouse and that her dad would "...definatly know that because he tells his clients not to do what he just did." Knowing this made both me and Caitlyn very fearful becuase Discavage was openly breaking the law in a courtroom that he has practiced law in many times. I believe that if Jordan Ferguson and Ryan Minor were not standing there that Mr. Discavage would have escalated his contact with me and Caitlyn to be something more harmful and out of control.

This incident occurred on or around 12:15 pm but before 1:30 pm when the remainder of Discavage's Final Protective Order hearing was scheduled to resume. As soon as the court resumed at 1:30 pm I asked Judge Wilson if there was a safe place that Caitlyn could go so that she was not accousted or contacted again by Discavage until a verdict was decided in the case. Judge Wilson instructed the courthouse deputy to escort Caitlyn to the closest interview room where she could and did remain until the hearing concluded. The hearing got continued to 9/5/2023 and upon conclusion we were able to exit the courthouse without further incident.

8/29/2023

Date

Applicant's Signature

CHRISTINA PATTERSON

Printed Name

Tr.#231001427123